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SUBJECT: FY 1975 FUNDING

1. S&E FUNDS ALLOTTED TO EMBASSY THROUGH MARCH 31 EXHAUSTED AND EMBASSY WITHOUT FUNDS FOR CONTINUING NORMAL OPERATIONS FOR NEXT FOUR AND A HALF WEEKS.

2. AFTER OBLIGATING HEAVY LOCAL EXPENSES INCURRED FOR RECENT VIP VISITS TOTALING \$7,510 WHICH WERE NOT CONTEMPLATED IN EMBASSY'S MIDYEAR FINPLAN, AND THEN RESERVING FUNDS FOR MARCH SALARIES, ALLOWANCES, CONTRACTS, AND OTHER "MUST" ITEMS OF RECURRING NATURE, CUMULATIVE APPORTIONMENT THROUGH MARCH 31 OVEREXPENDED.

3. ACCORDINGLY, EMBASSY REQUESTS IMMEDIATE TRANSFER FROM FOURTH TO THIRD QUARTER OF \$30,000 IN PROGRAM AND \$16,000 IN SHARED OPERATING ALLOWANCES, OR A TOTAL OF \$46,000. THESE AMOUNTS ARE IN ADDITION TO THOSE REQUESTED IN JIDDA'S 1375 AND 1397 FOR TWO NEW POSITIONS ADDED TO COMPLEMENT, MOST OF WHICH TO BE OBLIGATED IN THIRD QUARTER.

3. EMBASSY WISHES TO POINT OUT THAT THIS "ADVANCE AGAINST OUR FOURTH QUARTER APPORTIONMENT MUST BE CONSIDERED A TEMPORARY, STOP-GAP MEASURE AND NOT A SUBSTITUTE FOR THE REINSTATEMENT OF AL OR MOST OF THE AMOUNT CUT FROM OUR FINPLAN REQUIREMENTS.

4. AN IMMEDIATE TELEGRAPHIC RESPONSE IS REQUESTED.

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